

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pickens County Career & Technology Center Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 979

Director: Ken Hitchcock

Superintendent: Ken Hitchcock

Board Chair: Alex Saitta

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	N/A	N/A
2013	Excellent	Excellent	GOLD	N/A	N/A	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
29	8	3	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 05/18/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)		
n	%	%		
955	93.9%	90.3%		

GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)	
n	%	%	
230	97.8%	93.0%	

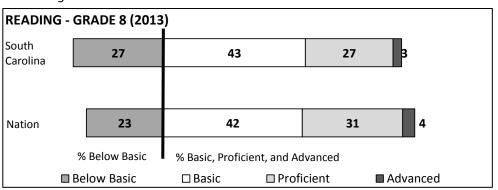
PLACEMENT RATE

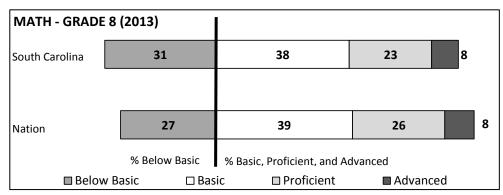
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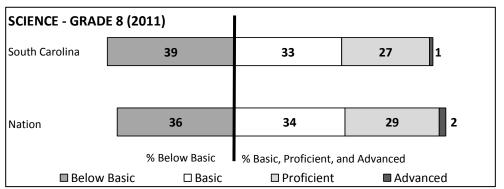
Our Center		State Center Average (%)		
n	%	%		
527	95.8%	96.9%		

NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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CENTER PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n = 979)			
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	60.8%	Up from 55.4%	24.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	979	Down from 1019	586
Students participating in work-based experiences	15.1%	Up from 14.9%	19.0%
Teachers (n = 31)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	25.8%	Down from 26.1%	25.0%
Continuing contract teachers	80.6%	Down from 87.0%	74.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	88.3%	Down from 91.2%	90.5%
Teacher attendance rate	96.0%	Up from 95.1%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$45,786	Down 5.8%	\$48,775
Professional development days/teacher	22.2 days	Up from 18.4 days	13.2 days
Center			
Director's years at center	1.0	Down from 10.0	4.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Percent expenditures for instruction**	N/A	N/A	N/A
Parents attending conferences	8.0%	Down from 100.0%	85.0%

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	12	N/A	N/A
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.6%	I/S	I/S
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	I/S	I/S
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.7%	I/S	I/S

^{*} Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT **COUNCIL**

The 2013-2014 school year has been exciting and filled with many successes and new challenges. The PCCTC has a new director and a new district program being housed on campus. Ken Hitchcock took over for Leonard Williams, who retired after serving eleven years as the director. The School District of Pickens County created a Drop-out Prevention program called C3 (Citizenship, College and Career) that has completed its debut in June 2014.

The PCCTC partnered with D-HEC to start SC Prairie Project on campus. This has involved several programs with the implementation of this exciting project. The first 9th grade STEM Academy for Pre-engineering and Bio-Medical careers was highly successful.

Our student organizations made a huge mark at the State and National level. FFA won several state competitions throughout the year with a strong delegation participating at the state convention at Clemson University. HOSA will be sending 14 students to the national convention in Orlando, Florida. PCCTC brought home 6 gold, 12 silver and 8 bronze medals from the Skills-USA state competition.

We are continuing to expand our partnership with local industry. Several advance manufacturing groups are recruiting our students into work-based learning opportunities. Many students have earned employment and scholarship opportunities this year.

We will continue to improve our highly successful mock interview experience with students. We plan to enhance our cover letter and resume development with seniors. We have seen positive growth with Work-Keys results and acceptance to college.

A challenge for the future continues to be keeping up with technology- both equipment and software. The most significant challenge to us is the budget. We will continue to search for resources to keep our programs up-to-date. State and local funding has been cut significantly since 2008. However, the costs of supplies continue to rise.

We are proud of the community support for our CTE programs. We hope all of our parents and community members will visit our facility during open house this fall.

Director – Ken Hitchcock

School Advisory Committee Chairperson- Jeromy Arnett

^{**}Prior year audited financial data available.